(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENTS OF EDUCATION AND CULTURE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (SHRI L. P. SHAHI): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) The highlights of the exhibition include a display of calligraphic work from all parts of the world. It is divided into eight principal sections. These include exhibits and sound which show the transference of sound into letter writing; the evolution of primitive scripts such as those of prehistoric man in Bhimbetka, American Indians, Hieroglyphs and Cuneifodm. One section is devoted to the evolution of Indian scripts from the Indus Valley to Indian languages. Another section includes calligraphic examples from Siddham and Tibetan and yet another on Arabic-Perso and on South East Asian and Roman scripts. The exhibition also highlights the technology of handwriting in relation to modern tools and needs and the interconnections between Calligraphy and typography, computography, painting, musical notations.

(c) No, Sir. This is for the Centre to decide whether it will organise similar exhibition in other parts of the country. IGNCA is a Registered Trust.

(d) and (e) Do not arise.

India's efforts for the replacement of existing nuclear non-proliferation Treaty

3240. SHRI DAYANAND SAHAY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has recently called upon UN Member nations to replace the existing Nuclear Non-Proliferation Treaty;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) whether Government propose to make its stand apprised to each member country in the right perspective;

(d) if so, what are the details thereof; and

(e) if not, what are the reasons therefor?

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS (SHRI P. V. NARASIMHA RAO): (a) and (b) At the Third Special Session of the UN General Assembly devoted to Disarmament (SSBD-III), May-June 1988, India presented an Action Plan for ushering in a Nuclear-weapons-free and Non violent World Order. The Plan proposes, inter alia, that negotiations commence for a new Treaty to replace the existing nuclear non-proliferation treaty, which lapses in 1995, unless extended. The new treaty would give legal effect to a binding commitment, on the part of the entire international community, to eliminate all nuclear weapons by the year 2010, as proposed in the Action Plan.

(c) and (d) The Action Plan was presented to the international community at the Third Special Session on Disarmament of the UN General Assembly. The ideas contained in the Action Plan are being further canvassed in appropriate multilateral fora and in bilateral exchanges with other countries.

(e) Does not arise.

Relations between India and Kampuchea

3241. SHRI DAYANAND SAHAY: Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Kampuchean Prime Minister had visited India recently;